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Attorney Docket No.	35908
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Title	Plasma Processing Apparatus and Plasma
Express Mail Label No.	EV341099008US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. ☒ **Fee Transmittal Form** (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
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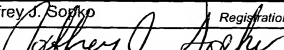
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Transmitted herewith for filing by a large entity is the patent application of:

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For: PLASMA PROCESSING APPARATUS AND PLASMA
PROCESSING METHOD

7 sheets of informal drawings are included.

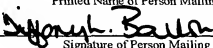
An assignment of the invention to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd. will be forwarded.

Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 on the basis of the following foreign application:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2002-209052 filed July 18, 2002.

A certified copy of this application will follow.

An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

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